

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 115

Reps. Mentzer, Wooden, Conlin, Paiz, Brixie, Fitzgerald, Young, MacDonell, Andrews, Tsernoglou, Koleszar, Skaggs, Rheingans, Xiong, Scott, Hoskins, Dievendorf, B. Carter, Rogers, Edwards, Pohutsky, Miller, Byrnes, Price, Wegela, Martus, Breen, McFall, Witwer, Liberati, Morgan, McKinney, Grant, O'Neal, Wilson, Snyder and Coffia offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to urge the President of the United States and
2 the United States Congress to fully fund Medicaid and to reject any
3 proposal that would strip access to those in need and shift costs
4 onto states, health care providers, and vulnerable individuals.

5 Whereas, Medicaid provides healthcare access to over 71
6 million Americans and nearly 2.2 million Michigan residents. The
7 program plays a vital role in ensuring access to essential health
8 care services, improving health outcomes, and reducing
9 uncompensated care for hospitals and providers; and

1 Whereas, Medicaid is a foundational component of the health
2 care safety net, particularly in underserved and rural communities
3 where access to affordable care may otherwise be limited.
4 Michigan's Medicaid program receives around 70 percent of its
5 funding, 19 billion dollars, from the federal government to provide
6 health coverage to more than one million children, 300,000
7 individuals with disabilities, and 168,000 seniors; and

8 Whereas, Despite Medicaid's importance, President Trump and
9 Congressional Republicans are proposing funding cuts and structural
10 changes that would be inefficient and ineffective, and that would
11 shift costs to the states, health care providers, and vulnerable
12 individuals. Full and consistent federal funding of Medicaid is
13 essential to ensure access to care, especially during times of
14 emergency, economic downturns, and periods of increased cost of
15 living; now, therefore, be it

16 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we urge the
17 President of the United States and the United States Congress to
18 fully fund Medicaid and to reject any proposal that would strip
19 access to those in need and shift costs onto states, health care
20 providers, and vulnerable individuals; and be it further

21 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the
22 President of the United States, the Speaker of the United States
23 House of Representatives, the Majority Leader of the United States
24 Senate, and the Michigan congressional delegation.